0.25 miles

.2 miles

0.9 miles

HIKE at BIG MARSH

From the gravel parking area, the route strikes out cross country to the west through the forested meadow. Within 100 yards, one comes to an old rotted boardwalk (caution!) at the edge of the big 1940s drainage canal. The route is then south and west along the edge of this old canal, following game trails next to the canal and detouring in spots to avoid wet areas. As of summer 2019, the old canal was being regraded to improve spotted frog access.

At 0.9 miles, one can walk across plugs in the old canal and hike north cross country to visit several older restoration ponds, which serve as potential spotted frog overwintering sites. Exploring another 0.3 miles to the southwest, the route ends at 1.2 miles on the banks of meandering Big Marsh Creek. Return as you came.